

## Marble Hill Press

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It costs nothing to go joy riding on a hot air wagon.

Instead of belling the cats they should be trained to an exclusive spar-row diet.

The police in Chicago will watch the bathing costumes. They will not be alone in the work.

It is time that rich Americans stopped being meal tickets for foreign forgers of old masters.

That oyster with 54 pearls was a great improvement over the one with 1,000,000 typhoid germs.

The big fish stories are coming in. The rain of frogs in northern Indiana is scheduled for an early date.

Cotton flour and alfalfa biscuits are preparing to oust wheat from its stronghold in the human stomach.

A London barber has written a play called "The Raven's Cry." When did those torturers start shaving ravens?

A Utah woman's neck was broken by a bug. Cupid's fatalities will soon be numbered with those of football.

A strange thing about the war of the tongs is that there apparently are as many Chinamen in this country as ever.

The winter of our discontent being over, we will now begin to figure out how much new fishing tackle we shall need.

Seventy-six thousand farmers now own automobiles. Revival of the "back to the farm" outcry is now partly explained.

We respectfully call to the weather bureau's attention the fact that the ice harvest was completed during the regular winter months.

Why should college girls smoke cigarettes when there are so many interesting and useful things for them to do in this short life?

The man or movement that keeps in the middle of the road and is not turned to the right or left by fads or follies is pretty sure of success.

Dead men may tell no tales, but some defunct chickens would if they bore upon their pallid skins the date when they went into cold storage.

Those Servian princes who have given out that they do not desire rich American brides omit to state what they consider as affluence.

Chicago hotels for transients have become lovely and luxurious, but your real Chicagoan will refuse to become a transient merely for that reason.

Alaska's latest gold field is yielding \$25 a pan. Still, look at the record made by any girl who catches a millionaire husband with her chaffing dish!

A swarm of bees broke up a ball game in California the other day and drove all the spectators from the grand stand. One of the remarkable features of the incident was that the bees never touched the umpire.

Spain has advised Ecuador and Peru not to fight. The advice might well be extended to all Central and South American republics, no matter whether they happen to be fighting or preparing to fight just now or not.

A Pennsylvania man remembered his wife in his will and also the widow next door. He stipulated that if either started a quarrel her share goes to the other. The vaunted wisdom of Solomon could have gone no further than this.

A Baltimore man wants a divorce because his wife loves him so much that her caresses and words of endearment bore him. It is hoped that women will not generally regard this as a solemn warning. Our opinion of the man is that he doesn't bulk very large as a lord of creation.

A New York paper manufacturer says that his company gets old rope from all parts of the world, and that 30,000 tons of it were manufactured into paper in this country last year. This will surprise those who had thought that the only use for old rope was in making campaign cigars.

According to experts government seeds are getting better. No longer do cucumber vines come up when squashes were expected, and no longer does the beet make its appearance when the carrot was looked for. It is safe now to plant government corn without getting barley or oats, and Uncle Sam's grass seed no longer produces weeds. This will be welcome news to those who go to congressmen for their seeds, but still the best plan is to go to a good seedsmen and be sure your seeds will be all right.

Philadelphia surgeons are accused of having conducted cruel experiments on helpless orphan babes. Can nothing good come from Philadelphia?

That German cobbler who set the world laughing by a piece of spectacular crookedness was deported from Ellis island, where the officials cannot take a joke.

According to a Missouri court you are guilty of contributory negligence if you go near a mule, just as you would be if you punted nails with a stick of dynamite.

## GIRL FOUND SLAIN IN PEORIA HOTEL

SUITOR HELD IN JAIL PENDING CORONER'S INQUEST OVER HER REMAINS.

### NO CHARGES PREFERRED

Train Conductor, Under Arrest, Says He Found School Teacher Dead in Her Room—Hints at Suicide Theory.

Peoria, Ill.—An inquest is being held over the remains of Miss Minnie Ahlers, 29 years old, a pretty school teacher of Princeville, who was found dead in bed in the Metropolitan hotel here, with three bullet holes in her body, one through the left lung and her heart pierced by the other two.

S. E. Easterly, 27 years old, of Chillicothe, a conductor for the Santa Fe railway, who for a little less than a year had been one of the girl's suitors, is in jail here, but has not been formally charged with the crime.

Easterly and Miss Ahlers registered at the hotel as man and wife. According to Easterly the girl spent half the night in tears. A few moments before the shooting he went to the buffet below. He was absent for about 15 minutes, and upon his return to the room, discovered the body.

Tells of Suicide Threat.

Deputy Sheriff Huff went with the prisoner to Chillicothe, where Easterly said that in his room might be found a revolver with which the girl has threatened herself and him as well, also letters written by her to him containing threats of suicide. Neither the weapon nor the letters could be found, and it was discovered that Miss Ahlers had spent an hour in the room prior to the departure of the couple for this city.

Easterly's efforts to cease his relations with Miss Ahlers are supposed to have been responsible for the tragedy.

The prisoner told the coroner that he came to Peoria with the girl upon her promise to leave him here and go to Wyoming, agreeing to have nothing further to do with him. He said that they had not quarreled and that she gave no immediate intimation of a desire to take her life.

Suicide Impossible, Police Believe.

Miss Ahlers is the daughter of a wealthy farmer living near Stronghurst, and has not lived at home for nearly three years. An estrangement with her father led her to take up her residence elsewhere. She had previously borne an excellent reputation and her relations with Easterly were entirely unknown.

Easterly stoutly denies that he is in any way concerned in the shooting.

The police, coroner and physicians are of the opinion that it would have been a physical impossibility for a person committing suicide to have fired three shots in the region of the body where Miss Ahlers' wound are located.

### FINE EX-GOVERNOR \$2000

Former New Hampshire Executive Pleads Guilty to Smuggling—Wife and Son Free.

New York City.—Frank W. Rollins, former governor of New Hampshire, pleaded guilty before Judge Hand in the United States circuit court to the charge of smuggling. Rollins takes all the blame in the matter and his wife and son go free.

Rollins was fined \$2,000 by Judge Hand. This he paid on the spot, pulling a large roll of bills from his pocket.

Gov. Rollins was arrested Friday, May 13, after disembarking from the Lusitania. Only a fur coat worth \$800 was declared, but in the indictment it was stated undeclared property worth \$4,736.14 was found in the trunks.

### WHITE SLAVER TO PRISON

Man Convicted in New York Gets Indeterminate Term of Not Less Than Four Years.

New York City.—Marshall Marks, who was found guilty under an indictment returned by the "white slave" grand jury of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is foreman, has been sentenced to not less than four nor more than six years in prison.

Nicola Marino, a 17-year-old girl, offered the testimony on which Marks was convicted, saying that when she accepted his advances in the belief that he would marry her, he forced her on to the streets. The girl came to this country from Italy, 18 months ago and will be deported.

Nebraska Murderer Must Hang. Lincoln, Neb.—The supreme court has affirmed the death sentence of Bert M. Taylor and fixed the day of execution for October 28. Taylor was convicted of the murder of Pearl Taylor, his 17-year-old sister-in-law, nearly three years ago. He also attacked a younger sister-in-law.

Four Killed on Runaway Incline Car. Tacoma, Wash.—Four workmen were instantly killed at the construction camp of the Pacific Coast Powder company, near Sumner.



## 25 ARE KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION

FIFTY INJURED BY DISASTER OF TIN PLATE WORKS AT CANTON, OHIO.

### BIG PLANT A TOTAL WRECK

Body of One Man Is Blown Through a House 700 Feet Distant—No Trace of Some of the Victims Can Be Discovered.

Canton, O.—With a roar that was heard three miles away a battery of seven boilers at the plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company exploded here, killing 25 or more.

The force of the explosion was terrific. The big plant is in such a state of ruin as to be practically a total loss. Identification of the men is difficult because many of them were mutilated. Heads were blown from several bodies; arms and legs were torn from the trunks. Fragments of bodies were blown blocks from the scene of the ruins and bits of human flesh have been picked up on porches and roofs of houses and in trees.

There were a hundred men at work in the plant at the time of the accident. But a dozen or so escaped some injury. These and others who rushed to the plant as soon as the disaster was known, worked heroically to rescue the injured from the ruins, which soon took fire, but the fire department extinguished the flames.

Members of the bereaved families rushed frantically to the plant and thence to the hospitals and residences near the ruined shops in an effort to find a trace of their loved ones.

The body of one man, unknown, was blown through a house 700 feet from the plant. The body entered the house from the east side and continued in a straight line through a bedroom and out the west side.

### SUN HALO SEEN IN SOUTH

Citizens of New Orleans Gaze Upon Unprecedented Phenomenon of Sky With Apprehension.

New Orleans, La.—All New Orleans stopped work from 10 o'clock to noon to gaze at phenomena hitherto unknown in this part of the United States, a solar halo. The halo around the sun resembled a rainbow and completely circled it.

The streets were crowded with thousands of curious gazers. Many of them were frightened, associating the sun's ornament with Halley's comet.

The weather bureau quickly issued a bulletin to allay fears, stating the phenomenon was caused by the sun's rays being attracted to very high clouds formed of ice crystals. This is often witnessed in arctic regions, but never was seen here before.

Jersey Herd Brings \$37,000.

Vandalia, Ill.—At a public sale of thoroughbred Jersey cattle at Willowdale farm, 10 head brought \$37,000. Two bulls sold for \$5,575, and one of them brought \$4,000.

Woman Tells Age—Almost.

Guthrie, Okla.—Giving her age as "over 25 years," Miss Kate Barnard, state commissioner of charities and corrections, has filed application with the state election board as a candidate for renomination.

Killed by Sliding to Second.

Nyack, N. Y.—Alfred Lent, 15 years old, is dead at his home here from an injury received some days ago in a baseball game. Lent was captain of his team. He was hurt while sliding to second base.

### RACES FOR THE PENNANTS

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pittsburgh	18	9	.667
Philadelphia	15	11	.577
Cincinnati	13	11	.545
New York	13	14	.481
St. Louis	12	15	.444
Pennsylvania	12	15	.444
Boston	10	13	.435
Brooklyn	10	19	.345

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	14	5	.737
New York	14	8	.632
Brooklyn	12	12	.500
Pittsburgh	12	13	.481
Cincinnati	11	14	.444
Washington	11	14	.444
St. Louis	6	23	.209

### 70,000 GET WAGES RAISED

Standard Oil Adds Many Millions to Pay Envelopes of Its Employees.

New York.—A voluntary wage increase that will affect approximately 70,000 men has been made by the Standard Oil Company. The remarkable increase to workmen, who in the entire history of the concern have never been on strike, ranges from 6 to 10 per cent.

The order is retroactive and became effective May 1. It is estimated that the company will add from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 to its annual payroll expense.

The new scale affects employees engaged in the company's works and factories, but the office men will not be benefited by this increase. Most of the employees who will get the increase are laborers, and the advance applies to all the subsidiary companies in the United States.

Women Are Turned Down.

Asheville, N. C.—At the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, the discussion of the woman's memorial in which lady rights were asked was begun by Dr. J. B. Henry of the St. Louis conference, who spoke in favor of the women. On a vote the proposition was lost, 138 to 74.

Transatlantic travel is now assuming its highest proportions. Departing for Europe Saturday were seven steamships carrying 2,695 cabin passengers, the largest number that ever left this port in one day.

### BALLINGER EVIDENCE ENDS

But Three Witnesses Were Called in Rebuttal—Oral Argument and Briefs to Follow.

Washington, D. C.—The submission of evidence in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation is ended.

The defense rested without calling any more witnesses. Attorney Brandeis examined but three in rebuttal. Oral argument will be made May 27 and 29. Five hours will be given to each side and within 15 days following each side will file a brief.

Lincoln's Bedfellow Dead.

Dwight, Ill.—Richard Price Morgan, who is credited with drawing the plans for the first elevated railroad in the United States and a former roommate of Abraham Lincoln, died at his home in Dwight, aged 82.

Ex-Governor a Smuggler.

New York City.—Former Governor Frank W. Rollins of New Hampshire pleaded guilty to a charge of smuggling in the federal court. His lawyers made a plea for clemency.

Evers Hurt in Automobile Accident.

Chicago, Ill.—George McDonald, a Chicago newspaper baseball writer, was probably fatally injured and John J. Evers, second baseman of the Chicago Nationals, was slightly wounded, when Evers' automobile, in which they were riding, collided with a street car here.

Corporation Tax to Be \$26,620,000.

Washington, D. C.—Total assessments made by the internal revenue bureau on account of the corporation tax have amounted to \$26,620,000.

## DID NOT GET FAIR TRIAL, SAYS HYDE

ARGUMENT ON MOTION FOR A RE-HEARING OF MURDER CASE SET FOR JUNE 4.

### EVIDENCE WAS IMPROPER

Prisoner's Pleadings Allege Long List of Errors During the Trial, Besides Prejudice on the Part of the Presiding Judge.

Kansas City, Mo.—Argument on the motion for a new trial in the case of Dr. B. Clark Hyde has been set for Saturday, June 4. The motion was filed by counsel for the convicted physician.

Improper conduct on the part of Judge Ralph S. Latschaw and attorneys prosecuting Dr. Hyde is among the allegations of error that were agreed upon by attorneys representing Dr. Hyde.

The allegation of error most largely depended upon by the attorneys for the defense will be that the court allowed evidence outside the direct charge that Dr. Hyde killed Thomas H. Swope, in that the prosecution was allowed to inject testimony regarding the illness and deaths of other members of the Swope family and other matters of that kind. Every bit of testimony is given in the motion in detail.

Shows Improper Evidence.

Among the evidence objected to is that Dr. Hyde used typhoid germs, the trip from New York with Lucy Lee Swope, the finding of the cyanide capsules by Thomas Swope and John G. Paxton, the death of Moss Hutton and the conversation between Pearl Kellar and Dr. Hyde concerning the latter's appointment as administrator, following the death of Hutton.

Another allegation of error is that James A. Reed, a special prosecutor, was allowed to make the opening statement for the state and that the court allowed him to detail the matters termed by the defense's attorneys as extraneous to the charge of killing Thomas H. Swope.

The court is alleged to have been in error in refusing to command the production of the correspondence between Mr. Paxton, prosecuting attorney, and Dr. Hyde, and Dr. Walker S. Haines, Dr. Ludwig Hektoen and Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, the three expert witnesses for the state.

It is also charged that the court showed prejudice against the defendant during the trial, and that he maintained this in the presence of the jury by his demeanor and attitude, and this prejudiced the cause of the defendant in the eyes of the jury; that the court added to this by forcing Dr. Hyde to go to jail after surrendering his bond and by impatience. It is alleged that the court also refused to admit evidence that was competent and admitted evidence that was not competent.

### "GRAFT" CHARGES DENIED

Witnesses in Illinois Legislature Investigation Unable to Give Definitive Evidence to the Jury.

Springfield, Ill.—Investigation of methods of corrupting the Illinois general assembly to defeat certain bills and pass others was resumed by the Sangamon county grand jury. Secretary of State Rose, J. McK. Glennon, secretary of the Illinois Manufacturers' association, and John W. Knox, agent for the Derby Desk company, were the principal witnesses. All of them knew nothing for certain but had heard a lot.

Knox is said to have a telegram, sent by a member of the purchasing committee, demanding money. Glennon was questioned about his methods in lobbying for or against bills in which the members of his association were interested. He denied he or the association had ever used money.

### SUDDEN CURE IS FOUND

Rheumatic Farmer, Leaning Against Wire Fence, Freed of Stiffness by Bolt of Lightning.

Huntsville, Ala.—Thomas J. Wall, a well known farmer, has been cured of rheumatism by being heavily shocked by lightning. The rheumatism was in his left arm, and during a thunderstorm a few days ago, he leaned against a barber wire fence and was terribly shocked when a bolt of lightning struck the fence a considerable distance away.

After the numbness passed away, the rheumatism was felt no longer, and Wall believes the cure is effective, but he is not advising any one to try it as he did.

Miss Harriman to Wed May 26.

New York City.—The marriage of Miss Mary Harriman, daughter of the late E. H. Harriman, to Charles C. Rumsey of Buffalo will take place next Thursday in the Episcopal church at Arden, near the Harriman.

Biplane Starts Up Hill.

Port Smith, Arkansas.—For what is said to be the first time in the history of aviation, J. C. Mars made a flight by gaining his start running up a hill. He made three short flights in a Curtiss biplane.

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Very Fishy.

She was a fisherman's daughter, she wore her hair in a net, and she preferred love in a piscatorial way.

"My love," he whispered, "you hold first place in my heart! Although I founder about in expressing myself, my sole wish is that you will save me from becoming a 'crabbed' old bachelor. I shall stick to you closer than a limpet, from you a 'wink' will be the road to guide me. Together we will skate over life's rocks, and when I look at your hand beside me I shall say to myself: 'Fortune was mine when I put 'her' there!'"

And then the lady dropped her eyes in sweet confusion, and murmured: "Pass the salt."

Old Men in Responsibility.

The American business system, which gives mere boys responsible positions before they have acquired practical experience, is to an Englishman quite unaccountable. He wonders whether it does not cause reckless trading and wild speculation. In other countries they prefer to keep elderly men in responsible positions because they can be depended upon. Messrs. Dyke & Sons, Somerset, England, employ 66 men. More than half have completed 26 years' service, 20 have been there 40 years, nine over 50 years and one 70 years.

The Man Invasion.

The witch out for a moonlight jaunt on her favorite broomstick, had just escaped being run down by an aeroplane manned by a joy-rider.

"Oh, this is simply maddening!" she cried, hysterically, "to think of man invading the one field of which we women have had a monopoly for centuries! And I believe I heard the brute say, as he passed: 'Oh, you kid witch!'"

In 1950.

"Did he object to his wife's getting into prison?"

"No; he only said it wasn't the jail where his mother used to go."—Harpur's Bazar.

A Grievance.

Hewitt—It is no longer fashionable for a woman to have a small waist. Jewett—I know it; you long-armed fellows have a cinch.

It costs more to live now than it did a hundred years ago, but they had no baseball then.

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